

What is claimed is:-

1. A communications device including a messaging user interface, the interface including means for selecting a component for inclusion in a message, means for selecting the conditions under which the message may be opened and means for storing said component as a message together with a message header holding the message delivery conditions in a memory of the communication device.
2. A device as claimed in Claims 1, in which the message header further contains information descriptive of the content of the multimedia message.
3. A device as claimed in Claim 1, including a look-up table wherein the table contains entries of locations from which components are selectable.
4. A device as claimed in Claim 4, wherein at least one of the locations is the memory of the communication device.
5. A device as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the message includes a plurality of components and associated presentation files.
6. A device as claimed in Claim 1, in which at least one component is a multimedia file.
7. A device as claimed Claim 1, including means for creating a presentation file associated with said component, said file being stored with said message.

8. A device as claimed in Claim 7, wherein the presentation file contains parameters relating to the size and position of a component comprising a video image.
- 5 9. A device as claimed in Claim 7, wherein the presentation file contains parameters relating to the volume of a component comprising an audio recording.
- 10 10. A device as claimed in Claim 7, wherein the presentation file contains parameters relating to the colour and font of a component comprising a text string.
- 15 11. A device as claimed in Claim 1, including means for formatting the message an attachment to a short text message.
12. A device as claimed in Claim 1, including means for formatting the message as an email.
- 20 13. A device as claimed Claim 1, including wireless network interface means.
14. A device as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the device is a radio telephone.
- 25 15. A method of creating a message on a communications device, comprising selecting a component from a source and defining a set of conditions for delivery of the message.
- 30 16. A method as claimed in Claim 15, wherein the conditions include data relating to a time of delivery of the message.

AK 17. A method as claimed in Claim 15, wherein the conditions include data relating to a location for delivery of the message.

5 18. A method as claimed in Claim 17, wherein the location is defined by a geographical location.

19. A method as claimed in Claim 17, wherein the location is defined by the presence of a further device.

10 20. A method as claimed in Claim 15, including the step of creating a presentation file associated with said component,

15 21. A method of opening a message on a communications device the message having first been created in accordance with the method of Claims 15, comprising receiving the message, storing the message in the communication device, analysing the delivery conditions and in the event that they are met opening the message.

20 22. A method as claimed in Claim 21, including the further step of establishing a communications channel with said further device and subsequently opening at least a portion of said message on said further device.